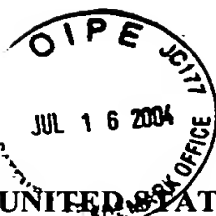


Docket No. 196078US2



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Kenichiroh ASADA

SERIAL NO: 09/640,068

GAU: 2624

FILED: August 17, 2000

EXAMINER: James A. Thompson

FOR: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS SELECTIVELY APPLYING A SMOOTHING OPERATION TO
IMAGE DATA

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136

RECEIVED

JUL 23 2004

Technology Center 2600

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

It is hereby requested that a one month extension of time be granted to July 16, 2004 for

- ☒ filing a response to the Official Action dated: March 16, 2004.
- ☐ responding to the requirements in the Notice of Allowability dated:
- ☐ filing the Formal Drawings. The Issue Fee due has been timely filed.
- ☐ responding to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application dated:
- ☐ filing a Notice of Appeal. A timely response to the final rejection, due has been filed.
- ☐ filing an Appeal Brief. A Notice of Appeal was filed on:
- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown below is reduced by one-half.

The required fee of \$110.00 is enclosed herewith by credit card payment and any further charges may be made against the Attorney of Record's Deposit Account No. 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully Submitted,

OBLON, SPIVAK, McCLELLAND,
MAIER & NEUSTADT, P.C.

Gregory J. Maier

Registration No. 25,599

Customer Number

22850

Tel. (703) 413-3000
Fax. (703) 413-2220
(OSMMN 05/03)

I:\ATTY\NS\0557\196078US\196078.EXT.DOC

Surinder Sachar

Registration No. 43,418

07/19/2004 EABUBAK1 00000038 09640068

02 FC:1251

110.00 OP